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INTRODUCTION

20.12.1 This survey was conducted in July 1997, and collected information on the labour force status and other characteristics of persons who had been retrenched or made redundant in the three year period to 30 June 1997. The survey had not been conducted previously and is intended to continue on an irregular basis only.

20.12.2 Results from the survey provide information on the employment consequences of structural change in the economy, and are used for policy development and planning of services to workers who have been retrenched or made redundant.

20.12.3 This section describes only those aspects of the methodology that are unique to this survey, and hence should be used in conjunction with the overview part of this chapter, which outlines the survey methodology used in supplementary surveys.

SURVEY OUTPUT

20.12.4 Data from the survey were published in **Retrenchment and Redundancy, Australia** (Cat. no. 6266.0). More detailed data are available on request.

20.12.5 Data from the survey relate to persons aged 18 to 64. The main population of interest was persons who had been retrenched or made redundant in the three years to 30 June 1997. Estimates are available on an original basis only (i.e. not seasonally adjusted) and include:

Socio-demographic information	Sex, age, marital status, relationship in household, family, geographic region, educational attainment, birthplace and year of arrival in Australia.
Persons who had held a job in the three years prior to 30 June 1997	Current labour force status, number of times retrenched in three years prior to 30 June 1997.
Persons who had been retrenched in the three years prior to 30 June 1997	Details of job most recently retrenched from including occupation, industry, full-time or part-time status, permanent or casual status, sector, and duration of employment; details of the retrenchment including reasons for retrenchment and whether given notice; and details of advice sought after retrenchment including agencies visited, assistance provided, whether attending an educational institution, and current labour force status.

Persons who had been retrenched in the three years prior to 30 June 1997 and currently employed	Details of main job including occupation, industry, full-time or part-time status, sector, permanent or casual status; and differences between current job and job retrenched from including whether changed occupation, whether changed industry, and whether changed full-time or part-time status.
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Persons who had been retrenched in the three years prior to 30 June 1997 and currently unemployed	Type of work sought (full-time or part-time), duration of current period of unemployment, active steps to find work, whether would move if offered a suitable job, difficulties experienced finding work, offers of employment, number of spells of looking for work, and total time spent looking for work in previous 12 months.
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20.12.6 Data collected in the survey are compiled according to concepts and definitions outlined in Chapter 2 (labour force status), Chapter 3 (employment), Chapter 4 (employment characteristics), Chapter 6 (unemployment) and Chapter 15 (socio-demographic information, sector and industry).

SCOPE

20.12.7 The scope of this survey is restricted to persons aged 18 to 64. The standard scope restrictions for supplementary surveys outlined in the overview part of Chapter 20 also apply to this survey.

DATA COMPARABILITY OVER TIME

20.12.8 The survey was conducted for the first time in 1997 and has not been conducted again since.

FURTHER INFORMATION

20.12.9 For further details contact the Assistant Director, Monthly and Multi-purpose Population Surveys Section, on Canberra (02) 6252 6660.

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